

SHADE TREE REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

May 12, 2022

Meeting Called to Order: 7:01 p.m.

Members in Attendance: K. Halpin, S. McDonald, J. Brown, G. Pohorley, M. Christie, S. Marr
Absent – D. Butler

MINUTES:

Regular Meeting

The Washington Borough Shade Tree Commission Meeting was called to order and the “Open Public Meetings Act” read into the Record. The meeting was duly advertised and posted on the Bulletin Board for Thursday, May 12, 2022. A Motion was made by S. McDonald and seconded by G. Pohorley that the minutes be approved for the meeting of April 14, 2022, 2022.

Ayes: 4, Nays: 0 Abstain: 1
Motion Carried

COMMUNICATIONS:

Arbor Day Foundation letter to congratulate Washington Borough Shade Tree earning the recognition as 2021 Tree City USA.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Arbor Day April 29, 2022 (rain Date April 30, 2022). S. Marr said the event went really well and it was a great evening. S. Marr also stated that she will be stepping down as the Tree City USA representative and someone will need to replace her position.
2. Shade Tree Needs your help Letter – was discussed, G. Pohorley will make changes and will discuss again next meeting.
3. Action Tree & Sunshine Tree has sent in their Evaluate & Recommend proposals for work requested to be done. Both proposals were reviewed. Sunshine Tree was awarded the job and a Motion was made by S. McDonald pending Borough of Washington Budget approvals and seconded by G. Porohery.

Ayes: 5, Nays: 1 Abstain: 0
Motion Carried

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Bartlett Quote for Ash Tree Treatment motion was made by S. McDonald and seconded by G. Pohorley to approve the contract to Bartlett Tree Experts.

Ayes: 6, Nays: 0 Abstain: 0
Motion Carried

2. 79 Alvin Sloan – S. McDonald recheck the tree and it is not a healthy tree. Add to maintenance list.
3. 109 Taft – Table until next meeting
4. 265 W. Warren – Table until next meeting
5. 36 Alvin Sloan – Table until next meeting
6. Park Trees – a few park trees are damage G. Pohorley sent an email to J. James DPW Supervisor to ask the staff to be careful when they are at the park doing lawn maintenance.
7. NJUCF Stewardship Grant – K. Halpin spoke to the grant advisor today 5/12/22 there was a hold up on payment but K. Halpin gave them the information needed and hopefully the approval will be complete in the next day or so.

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion was made by S. McDonald and seconded by G. Pohorley to adjourn the meeting at 8:10 p.m.

Ayes: 6, Nays: 0
Motion Carried

Respectfully submitted,

Lee Geller